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PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(3)

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(3) to withdraw a patent application from issue after payment of the issue fee in favor of a continuing prosecution application filed previously. An express abandonment of this patent application has been filed on August 29, 2006. The application was allowed on June 15, 2006, and the issue fee was paid on August 15, 2006.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0221 in the amount of \$130.00 for the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h), and any other fees necessary.

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